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Situation as of 1123hrs on 2022-02-04

Event Overview:

- **Approximately 5 demonstrators** are reported to be on **Parliament Hill** at this time.
- **Approximately 20 demonstrators on Wellington St. and in the surrounding area.**
- Other Events:
 - o K Division: Coutts POE: Things are progressing well, with both lanes open in both directions. Receiving better cooperation at the Coutts site than the checkpoint. Split in attitudes at the checkpoint, some moderates and some more entrenched.
 - Preacher **Personal Info.** has a following with some at the checkpoint. **Personal** may hold a concert at the Milk River Rodeo grounds. Unknown what that will mean for traffic and protestors.
 - K Div looking for ways to allow this to transition from unlawful to a lawful protest, by finding a safe location for trucks and protestors to congregate, that will not impeded traffic. Evidence gathering operation increasing with checks of drivers as they leave the two locations.
 - One tow truck available from the City of Edmonton that could be used, however, may be required as convoy drives to legislature in Edmonton tomorrow. Checking with tow truck companies in Montana to see if they will/can assist. CAF option may have to be considered.

Operational Information:

- CIG OSINT has observed social media posts which mention that the Reclaim Ottawa counter protest, which was expected to take place on February 5, 2022, may be cancelled due to security concerns. The CIG will continue to monitor for additional confirmation related to these claims.
- CIG received information identifying solidarity actions in every province and at least one territory pertaining to the Freedom Convoy matter. Enforcement at any one event will likely be perceived negatively and may spark activities or adverse behaviour in other parts of the country. However, no formal organized plot of violence has been identified. CIG will continue to monitor.
- A Twitter post was located which suggests counter-protesters should blockade the parking lot entrances at the 302 Coventry Rd parking lot to hinder protester logistics resupplying downtown. CIG will continue to monitor for any additional details.
- The CIG was advised by OPP Intelligence Open Source that social media posts indicate that individuals are organizing support to the truckers by providing supplies. A post by “Carleton Place Moms” was located with a list of supplies needed.

Operational Planning:

- CO of National Division attended a meeting yesterday with all policing partners in the province of Ontario. OPP has activated their Emergency Operations Centre (PEOC), to support resource mobilization efforts throughout the province.
- OPS PLT met with organizers of demonstration currently located within Confederation Park at 100hrs. A meeting between OPS PLT, OPS Public Order and the NCC was convened at 1100hrs to discuss the approach in terms of removing the structure from this site. At this time, we have been advised that RCMP support would not be required for a planned event, whereby the structure would be removed.
- RCMP will be deploying resources, as of today, in support of Ottawa Police Services. Efforts are underway to plan for the deployment of 50 RM's, however, as these plans are formalized, today's deployment will consist of 18 RM's. At this time, the majority of front line resources deployed in support of OPS are OPP.
- Concurrent to the planning efforts surrounding the deployment of front line RCMP resources to support OPS, internal efforts are underway to bifurcate the front line resource command structure from the protective command structure, to ensure that the distinct operational responsibilities are delineated and fully supported.
- ND has advised PPS that Tech Ops has been providing support in terms of Drone identification, in and around the Precinct area.

- National Division is awaiting the MOU from OPS, surrounding the resource deployment. Once in hand, the necessary internal consultations will be convened, which includes LSU engagement.
- PPS has requested that ND liaise with OPS to seek support for cement barriers at the O'Connor access point, in order to support the movement of Parliamentarians.

Protective Clients and Protective Sites:

- Continue to monitor to ensure that the Division is agile and able, at any given moment, to scale up requirements at the various protected sites in the NCR, should the environment change.

Communications:

- There are about 250 articles in media monitoring this morning related to the demonstrations and latest developments.
 - Last evening, Minister Mendicino [Tweeted](#) that he has approved a request from the City of Ottawa for additional RCMP officers in the city. Much of the news coverage focuses on this element, as well as how other cities such as Quebec and Toronto are planning and preparing for parallel demonstrations in their own cities this weekend. The tone is somewhat tense, with Toronto Mayor John Tory vowing they will not allow the same thing to happen there as what is currently going on in Ottawa.
 - Currently, Ottawa Police Chief Sloly is holding a live news conference as to OPS enforcement plans for the weekend. As well, Bloc Québécois Leader Yves-François Blanchet will hold a news conference at **10:45 this morning** regarding what he calls “the ongoing ‘siege’ of the Parliamentary Precinct”. It is also anticipated that Toronto Mayor Tory will also hold a news conference today. Communication Services will be monitoring all three and any other developments.
 - There have been two media requests since the last update, one from Global News looking for info/comment on how the RCMP will be supporting enforcement efforts (#s of members, what will they be doing, etc), and another unrelated to this matter. Media lines have been prepared and are currently within the NHQ approval process.
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